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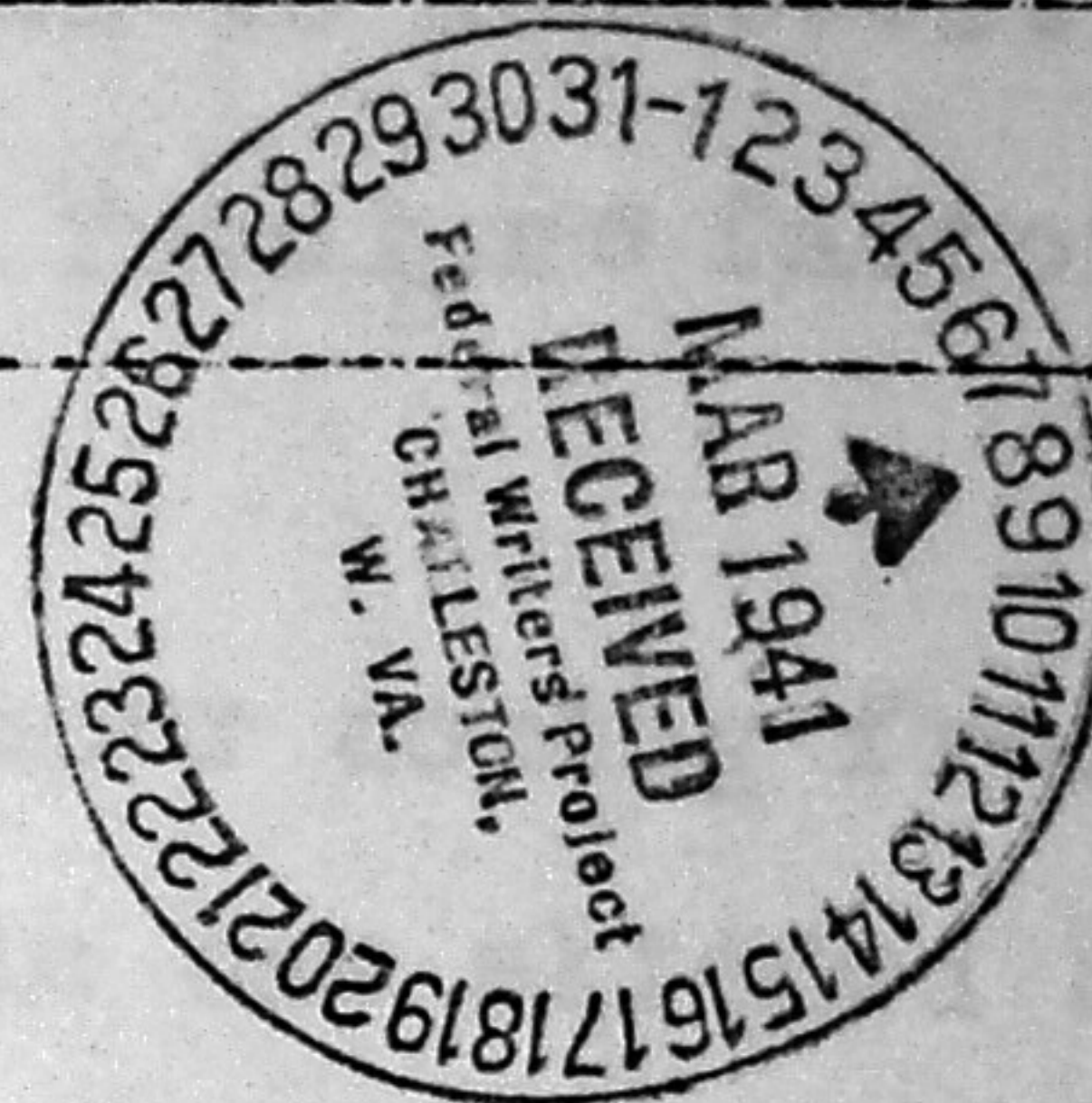
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About 1885 Washington Beverage and David W Loudermilk of Buckeye bought a circular mill and sawed for the following people ~~set~~ for Hunter McClintic on the John Will Sheets place, a set near the Nelson Moore place these were mostly Cherry, and was skidded by McClintic and Hamp Galford. The lumber wagoned to Buckeye and rafted to Ronceverte, most of the lumber rafted to Ronceverte was bought by a man by the name of Speagle of N.Y and went to furniture factories all over the eastern part of the U.S.

They also sawed for McClintic on Dry Creek the timber coming from the John Armstrong place all the timber sawed for Hunter McClintic was skidded by him and Hamp Galford.

A set was sawed for William McClintic this set was between the Galford house and the McClintic residence and known now as McClintic Farms.

David W Loudermilk was sawyer on all their operations.

The Williams River section furnished a big percent of the lumbering operations of this Co. from back in the 80ies to ~~up~~ 1920 and since that time only 2 or 3 mills have operated back there, as the government has bought the greater part of this section for reforestation purposes and in yearsto come no doubt this section will be the scene of great lumber manufacturing there-by furnish employment to the people of Pocahontas County as in days gone by.

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David V. Lowenthal was the lawyer and J. P. Ruckman of that time...

...was assisted with the cooking at the camp.

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Beverage And Loudermilk. (Lumber)

In 1894 Washington Beverage and David W Loudermilk both of Buckeye  
sawed a set for Millard F Ruckman of Millpoint, the circular mill was set  
near the Ruckman residence getting the water from the Falling Spring to  
run the boiler with.

Ruckman logged the mill with a team of horses during the first of  
the operation but the skidding was quite heavy so he employed Withrow McC-  
lintics two teams of oxen driven by Fant Armstrong and John Maupin for McC-  
lintic.

Camps were made to care for the men and stables for the oxen.

David W Loudermilk was the sawyer and Lee V Ruckman at that time a  
small boy assisted with the cooking at the camp.

Inf-W.O Ruckman Millpoint. W. Va.  
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